

# FLYING FROM TOP OF MOUNT WHITNEY TO TONOPAH

## Fourth of July Committee Has the Contract Under Advisement

### Titled Suffragette Disturbs British Court In Spite of Precautions to Prevent Such a Scene

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, June 5.—Mary Blomfield, daughter of Lady Sarah Louisa Blomfield, widow of Sir Arthur Blomfield, was the woman who created a sensational scene at Buckingham palace last night when she threw herself on her knees before the king and queen. Officials of the palace were on the verge of nervous prostration as a result of the scene, and every precaution is being taken to prevent any attempt to repeat the act at another court function tonight.

The scene lasted ten seconds. The woman said: "Your Majesties—For God's sake—" when she was seized and hurried out of the throne room. The king was the coolest man there and the presentation proceeded after the incident. Miss Blomfield will be barred from future affairs at the palace.

Recent discourtesies shown by the militants to the king, and the burning of many churches has inflamed public opinion to a remarkable degree. The people are further incensed by what is regarded as a well grounded belief that much of the work of destruction is done by hired hands well paid out of the bulging coffers of the women's social, political union. Cases are reported of women leaving other employment to join the militants, not for love of the cause, but "because the pay is better."

Greater activity on the part of the government is expected.

## Woodward W. Duke Killed By Auto Skidding Into River

Woodward W. Duke, 22 years old, son of James B. Duke, multi-millionaire president of the American Tobacco company, was drowned last Tuesday in a mountain stream 15 miles from Park City, Utah, when his automobile skidded on a muddy canyon road and lunged over an embankment, pinning him beneath the steering wheel in four feet of water.

Four companions, who escaped injury, struggled in vain to lift the three-ton machine from his body. They were helpless to move him and he remained until a freight train crew came to their aid more than an hour after the accident.

With Duke were J. L. Burt and Joseph Baird, of Los Angeles, Ivan Blais, of Ventura, all wealthy Californians, and Eddie Whiteside, mechanic.

Duke's companions jumped as the car started to slide over the embankment, but Duke remained at the steering wheel in a vain effort to keep the car to the road.

The car turned over, plunged into the stream and went to the bottom in four feet of water.

"My God! He's in the creek and under the machine," shouted Burt to his comrades, who were wondering where Duke had disappeared.

With that Burt plunged into the stream, followed by the others. In water over their waists they vainly groped about to locate Duke.

Suddenly Duke's arm was discovered. All grasped and tugged at the arm, but could not bring the body to the surface.

Again and again they endeavored to pull him loose, but without avail. Then they turned their efforts to dislodging the auto. Using a railroad tie they attempted to pry it loose, but the car could not be budged.

Realizing how futile their efforts were they cried out for help, but got no answer. Then they heard a hammering upon the railroad track.

Burt started in the direction of the sound to seek help. After traveling three miles he came upon three Mexican section hands. They hurried back to the scene.

Wading through water the seven men brought iron bars and piled up railroad ties beside the car in an endeavor to move it by leverage. Half an hour they worked without results.

As dusk was falling, the roar of an approaching train was heard and the seven rushed from the stream to the tracks and flagged the train. Help was proffered immediately by crew and passengers. Twelve men went into the icy waters and after strenuous efforts moved the machine sufficiently to release Duke's body.

Duke was dead. He was severely bruised and probably injured internally. The body was placed on the train and brought here, where a surgeon was called. He pronounced death due primarily to drowning.

The party left Los Angeles May 24.

### Mona Lisa Thief Gets Six Months

(By Associated Press.)

FLORENCE, June 5.—Vincent F. Pringle, who stole "Mona Lisa," was sentenced to one year and fifteen days' imprisonment. He has been in prison awaiting trial since December, and he will have to serve only about six months.

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"Three days' stopover was made at Salt Lake.

PASADENA, June 5.—Mrs. Frank May, mother of Woodward W. Duke, had the news of his terrible death broken to her tonight by a telegram from the survivors of the accident.

Mr. and Mrs. May have directed that the body be shipped to Pasadena. Burial will be in Mountain View cemetery.

Young Duke had no presentiment of his terrible fate as he left Tonopah on the evening of Thursday, May 28th. He was in excellent spirits and laughed over the prospects of getting back to civilization and the far east as he remarked to a Bonanza reporter: "From this on to Chicago the trip will be practically a joy ride and as soon as I arrive in New York I am going to order another big Lozier touring car." He already had four. He will not want any more.

The trip which was made two years ago was negotiated across the route which follows the Santa Fe trail, or in other words, the Southern route through Arizona and New Mexico. After encountering diverse and sundry troubles, Duke decided to select a more practical route and as a result, the midway route, from Los Angeles to Mojave, Independence and Big Pine, and then on to Oasias was followed. From the latter point, the direct route via Silver Peak was followed to Tonopah.

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### French Aviators Die In the Air

(By Associated Press.)

DIJON, June 5.—Two French aviators, Lieutenants Gironne and Rioux, were killed by the explosion on their aeroplane. Peasants watching saw a burst of flames. The machine, with aviators strapped to the seats, fell half a mile.

## GOLDFIELD MINER IDENTIFIED AS THE MAN OF MYSTERY

MOTHER AND SISTERS RECOGNIZE HIM AS LONG LOST SON AND BROTHER.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, June 5.—A brother and sister have affirmed their mother's identification of the mysterious "J. C. R.," the "eight years old mystery" man who was a victim of aphasia. Mrs. H. E. Pitkin at sight identified the man as Earl Welles, her son, a mining engineer, with interests in Goldfield, Nev., who disappeared in 1906. Some time after a man, his voice gone and memory all but a blank, appeared at the Rochester, Minn., hospital. When pressed he wrote "J. C. R." and later disappeared. By means of a note he was found in Chicago.

GOLDFIELD, June 4.—Welles is remembered here as a member of a family of well known Denver civil engineers who came here in the early days to look over the field. He never became identified with any local companies. The family is one of the oldest in Colorado history.

## WILDES SALARY CASE POSTPONED TO NEXT MONTH

ANOTHER DELAY CAUSED BY THE SUPREME COURT NOT BEING READY.

Attorney William Forman, of Tonopah, who was appointed special assistant to the attorney-general to prosecute the State Bank and Trust company cases, returned to Tonopah this morning from Carson City, where he went to attend the hearing on Receiver Wildes' application for approval of salary already drawn by him for a period of two years. The hearing was put off until July 15th to wait for the supreme court to hand down an opinion on the petition for a rehearing.

The matter of the sale of the stock of the Indian Camp, Jumping Jack and Stray Dog Mining companies of Manhattan, approximating 2,240,000 shares, now in the possession of Receiver Wildes, was considered. During the hearing it developed that since reorganization, whereby three companies have been merged into one, the receiver had accepted the offer of Jack Salisbury, representing the merger, to option the stock at a price approximating \$150,000. On account of the option \$7,000 had been paid the receiver, \$10,000 more was to be paid in within the next thirty days, and \$35,000 to be paid by the first of January next. Failure to pay this latter amount at the time stipulated meant forfeiture of the amounts tendered and cancellation of the option.

After a full explanation of the deal had been made, Attorney General Thatcher stated that on behalf of the depositors he was satisfied that the contracts entered into were legal and regular and he believed would be satisfactory to the bank's creditors. The court notified the clerk to enter an order confirming the operation.

A store that advertises must be a store of values—of "bargains"—or the advertising would not pay.

## GREAT PROGRAMME ARRANGED FOR THE TWO DAY CELEBRATION WITH LOTS OF ATTRACTIONS

The Fourth of July committee made a good start last night with the outlining of a two days' programme taking in Saturday and Sunday with the fireworks Sunday night, the prize fight Saturday night and a variety of attractions that promise to set the pace for future celebrations.

The meeting was called to order by Ed. Malley and Letson Balliet was elected permanent chairman with R. J. Highland permanent secretary.

Walter Drysdale was made vice-chairman, as Mr. Balliet explained he would have to be absent a few days next week. Ed. Malley was appointed chairman of the committee of arrangements.

Suggestions were received covering the scope of an entertainment ranging from one to three days, but it was finally resolved to hold the observance to Saturday and Sunday with the chief features on the regular anniversary of Independence day, with possibly a carnival and other features for the second day.

Silas Christofferson, the renowned

daring aviator of San Francisco, who has been making daily flights with passengers across the bay from San Francisco to Oakland, is going to be in the vicinity of Tonopah on the Fourth of July and his manager writes that he wants to drop from the top of Mount Whitney, the highest peak on the Pacific coast, right here in little old Tonopah on the Fourth of July. Christofferson is under contracts with the citizens of Inyo county, California, to make the flight over Mount Whitney accompanied by a photographer, and he is willing to extend his journey through space to the silver gold camp. A distance of 125 miles is nothing for a powerful and speedy machine to negotiate even in the light air of these altitudes. Frank McAuliffe, manager of the Christofferson company, writes that his chief has never made a failure in flying and that he has never forfeited a contract where he signed to appear. The matter will be referred to the aviation committee with instructions to get immediate action.

The chairman and chairmen of committees met again this morning to round out their lists of assistants, with the result that the following committees were named:

Executive Committee—Ed. Malley, chairman; Letson Balliet, W. B. Evans, Chas. Wittenberg, Walter Drysdale, Chas. Ducheneau and R. J. Highland.

Finance Committee—Chas. Wittenberg, chairman and treasurer; John G. Kirchen, F. P. Mannix, Ben Rotholz, Mr. Bruce, R. B. Goven, W. J. Drysdale, Mr. Tadich, J. M. Gilroy, Wm. Welshar, J. W. Chandler, Ed. Erickson, Ed. Meade, Harry Epstein, Wm. De Courcy, A. A. Frevert, C. J. Enquist, Geo. Banovich, Tom Griffin, Thos. Fagan, John Manion, Mr. McMurray, J. C. Robertson, R. Fred Brown, Roger Stenson, Ralph Hussey, Alex. Dewar, Albert Kelly, J. W. Sherwin, F. G. Waterhouse, F. A. Burnham and H. H. Bacon.

Mr. Wittenberg has issued a call for a meeting of the finance committee at the office of Harry Epstein at 8 o'clock this (Friday) evening. All members are urged to be present to devise ways and means for the handling of finances of this celebration.

Prize Fight Committee—F. A. Burnham, chairman; Nick Abelman, P. F. Oke, Ed. Addison and P. King.

Hose Committee—Poke Kelly, chairman, and G. Gregovich.

Public Comfort Committee—Dr. Grigsby, chairman; J. Grant Crumley and Dr. Richards.

Aviation Committee—Ed. Malley, chairman; Ross Condon, Don Lewers, Jack Murphy and Jim Kearns.

Street Sports Committee—John Troglan, chairman; Joe Gori, W. J. Douglas, Harry Epstein, Jim McQuillan, Art. Keenan, Paul Whaley and W. A. Marsh.

Street Carnival Committee—Letson Balliet, chairman; Jules Smith and J. A. Sanders.

Parades Committee—W. G. Walker, chairman; W. T. Cuddy, Ralph Wardell, H. H. Atkinson, F. J. Cavanaugh and Wm. Thomas.

Goddess of Liberty Committee—J.

Baseball Committee—Chas. J. Mullins, chairman; Jack Peck, Ed. Prohl.

Transportation Committee—W. C. Harding, chairman; C. F. Wittenberg, Louis Amundsen.

The drilling will have a purse of \$400 for first and \$100 for second and the finance committee was told to go ahead and see what the business men would do. The preliminary subscription of the Mine Operators' association will not prevent the individual companies from subscribing, so it is inferred from expressions at the meeting that the money received from this source will more than cover the cost of the drilling.

A tug of war with the possibility of making the purse sufficiently attractive to bring the Mason Valley champions here, was agreed on in a tentative way, but details were left to the committee.

There will be prizes for the best decorated automobile in the parade, with an understanding that auto owners invite all the children of the camp to be their guests and enjoy a motor ride. The statement was made that Tonopah has between 100 and 130 machines, and it was stated that a majority of these owners would cheerfully join in a special parade for the best decorated auto. Then the auto men will have another feature dedicated to their use in a road race that will use the track between here and Millers or Blair with the start and finish on Main street, Tonopah. This is likely to prove an exciting struggle, as there is a sharp rivalry between the motorists, and the prizes will be arranged to suit all grades of machines, from the runabouts to the big touring cars.

The volunteer firemen will have races, hub and hub and water tests in which the boys from Manhattan will take part, according to a statement made last night by District Attorney Sanders, who was authorized by the Manhattan boys to apprise the executive committee of their intention to be present.

A transportation committee will see that accommodations are offered visitors from outside camps who wish to spend the day in Tonopah.

The suggestion that a purse be offered for a ball game was not received with favor, as it was the general sentiment that with so many downtown attractions nobody would care to go to the ball park to witness a game between two scratch teams.

The prize fight has been arranged and articles signed by the officers of the Tonopah Athletic club, who agreed to turn the event over to the Fourth of July committee, so the organization would receive the benefit of the profit to be derived from the fight events. The contestants will be Brock Lydon and Dutch Williams and Coffey and Kane.

A rough canvass of the subscriptions in sight showed at least \$5,000 available for that purpose. C. F. Wittenberg is treasurer.

The meeting was adjourned until 8 o'clock p. m. Sunday evening, at which time all members of the general committee are earnestly requested to be present, as there will be several important reports to be made.

It should be understood that every citizen of Tonopah is an ex-officio member of this committee, and is cordially invited to be present.

## VOLCANO BELCHES IN JAVA

DESTRUCTIVE OUTBREAK IN DUTCH POSSESSIONS IN CELEBES SEA.

(By Associated Press.)

BATAVIA, Java, June 5.—A violent volcanic eruption occurred on the Dutch island of Sangir, 140 miles south of Mindanao, in the Philippines. Streams of boiling lava poured down the mountain sides, overwhelming the forest and cocoa plantations. At the same time a heavy rain of stones and ashes from various craters fell over the entire island. One hundred houses were destroyed, but no lives were lost so far as known.

Sangir is the largest of a group known as the Talaut Islands, in the Celebes Sea. Destructive outbreaks of Gunung Abu, the principal volcano, occurred seven or eight times during the last 200 years.

## DATE OF LAUNCHING BIG SHIP NEVADA

Fred Siebert received a wire this morning from the Fore River Ship building company, at Quincy, Mass., that the big vessel will be ready for launching on the 11th of July without fail. Mr. Siebert's daughter will act as sponsor.

## Coldest June Night In Eight Years With Thermometers Standing at 30

The minimum temperature last night was 30, or the lowest of any month of June since 1904, when a temperature of 24 was recorded at the Tonopah branch of the U. S. weather bureau on the night of the third. This is the lowest on record at this station. It was found in exposed places and those who left their automobiles outside the garage last night found little monuments of ice under the radiators this morning. The lowest temperature last month was 34, on the first of May. The effects of the frost may not be as serious as it would have been had it not been for the stiff wind that sprang up about ten o'clock last night, which drove the frost before it and prevented it from settling on tender plants and house gardens that were getting a start in life. The actual damage cannot be estimated until later in the day when the sunshine will develop frost damage. Tonight is likely to be as cold and householders are advised to cover their tender plants from the frost.